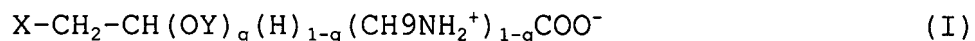


**In the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method of accelerating the elimination of alcohol in a person in need of such treatment, which comprises the administration to such person of an effective amount of at least one compound represented by formula (I) shown below and inorganic acid addition salts of such compound,



wherein X represents a trimethylammonio group  $(CH_3)_3N^+$  or a carbamoyl group  $(CONH_2)$ , Y is hydrogen or an acetyl  $(CH_3CO)$  group, ~~and p~~ and q is zero or one, provided that when X is a carbamoyl group, q is zero, and when X is a trimethylammonio group, q is one.

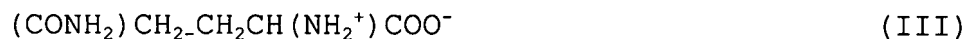
2. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein the compound is represented by formula (II)



and is inorganic acid addition salts,

wherein Y is hydrogen or an acetyl  $(CH_3CO)$  group.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein the compound is represented by formula (III)



and its organic acid addition salts.

4. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein the compound is administered orally during a period from one hour before alcohol is consumed to one hour after alcohol is consumed.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein the compound is administered orally prior to or simultaneously with consumption of alcohol.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the compound is administered by rectal suppository.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the compound is administered in one to five daily doses of 2 to 20 grams each.

8. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, wherein the total of the compound administered daily is in the range of 2 to 100 grams.

9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the total of the compound administered daily is in the range of 2 to 50 grams.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the compound is administered in a single dose of 30 to 60 grams.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10, wherein the compound represented by formula (I) is admixed with edible material in a shaped body characterized by pleasant taste and reduced bulk density compared to the neat compound represented by formula (I) in its conventional powder form.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) The ~~article~~ method of claim ~~12~~ 11, wherein said shaped body is selected from the group consisting of breadsticks, cookies, doughnuts, onion rings, pancakes, potato chips, pretzels, tempura, tortillas, and wafers.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~article~~ method of claim ~~12~~ 11, wherein said shaped body contains from 10 to 100 parts by weight of compound represented by formula (I) per 100 parts by weight dry basis of edible materials.

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~article~~ method of claim ~~12~~ 11, wherein said edible materials are selected from the group consisting of flour, starch, dextrin, sugar, casein, vegetable protein, dried fruit, nuts, butter, vegetable oil, peanut butter and mixtures thereof, as well as appropriate minor amounts of condiments and spices.